

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 5 1. (previously presented) A method of automatic light emitting device calibration for
an optical device having a light emitting device and a photo monitor, comprising
the following steps:
- controlling power of the light emitting device by changing values of a drive
signal to the light emitting device;
- 10 detecting light emitted by the light emitting device and generating a monitor
signal having a value corresponding to the light emitted by the light emitting
device utilizing the photo monitor;
- converting received monitor signal values for a plurality of drive signal values to
corresponding powers of the light emitting device according to a
- 15 predetermined conversion rule; and
- determining a preliminary power relationship relating values of the drive signal
to powers of the light emitting device according to received monitor signal
values for the plurality of drive signal values and the predetermined
conversion rule.
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2. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein determining the preliminary power
relationship relating the values of the drive signal to the powers of the light emitting
device comprises the following steps:
- determining an offset value being a maximum value of the drive signal where the

light emitting device does not emit light according to the received monitor
signal values; and

converting the received monitor signal values corresponding to drive signal
values being higher than the offset value to power values according to the
predetermined conversion rule to thereby generate the preliminary power
relationship.

3. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein determining the preliminary power
relationship relating the values of the drive signal to the powers of the light emitting
device further comprises the following steps:

controlling the power of the light emitting device by utilizing a first drive signal
value and a second drive signal value;

extrapolating monitor signal values of a line formed between a first received
value of the monitor signal corresponding to the first drive signal value, and
a second received value of the monitor signal corresponding to the second
drive signal value;

determining the offset value of the drive signal to be a crossing value of the drive
signal corresponding to where the extrapolated monitor signal values of the
line cross a predetermined value of the monitor signal when the light
emitting device is not emitting any light; and

converting the extrapolated monitor signal values of the line corresponding to
drive signal values being higher than the offset value to power values
according to the predetermined conversion rule to thereby generate the

preliminary power relationship.

4. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising generating a final power relationship by performing a power relationship correction operation on an optical medium of the optical device; the power relationship correction operation comprising the following steps:
- writing test data to the optical medium of the optical device using a particular drive signal value for a predetermined power value according to the preliminary power relationship;
- reading a read signal corresponding to the test data from the optical medium; and analyzing the read signal to determine if the test data was written to the optical medium at the particular power and correspondingly adjusting the preliminary power relationship such that the test data is written to the optical medium at the predetermined power to thereby generate the final power relationship.

5. (original) The method of claim 4, wherein the power relationship correction operation involves performing an optimum power control (OPC) on the optical medium of the optical device.

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6. (cancelled)

7. (original) The method of claim 4, further comprising storing the final power

relationship in a non-volatile memory of the optical device; and during normal operations, controlling values of the drive signal to control the power of the light emitting device according to the final power relationship stored in the non-volatile memory.

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8. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the optical device is an optical disc drive or an optical disc recorder, the photo monitor is a front monitor diode (FMD), and the light emitting device is a laser diode.

10 9. (original) The method of claim 8 being used to configure the write power or the read power of the laser diode.

10. (previously presented) An auto-calibrating optical device comprising:

a light emitting device to be calibrated;

15 a photo monitor for detecting light emitted by the light emitting device and generating a monitor signal having a value corresponding to the light emitted by the light emitting device; and

a microprocessor coupled to the light emitting device and the photo monitor for controlling power of the light emitting device by changing values of a drive
20 signal to the light emitting device; and for during a calibration mode, converting received monitor signal values for a plurality of drive signal values to corresponding powers of the light emitting device according to a predetermined conversion rule, and determining a preliminary power

relationship relating values of the drive signal to powers of the light emitting device according to received monitor signal values for the plurality of drive signal values and the predetermined conversion rule.

5 11. (original) The auto-calibrating optical device of claim 10, wherein to determine the preliminary power relationship relating the values of the drive signal to the powers of the light emitting device, the microprocessor determines an offset value being a maximum value of the drive signal where the light emitting device does not emit light according to the received monitor signal values; and converts the received
10 monitor signal values corresponding to drive signal values being higher than the offset value to power values according to the predetermined conversion rule to thereby generate the preliminary power relationship.

12. (original) The auto-calibrating optical device of claim 11, wherein to determine the
15 preliminary power relationship relating the values of the drive signal to the powers of the light emitting device, the microprocessor further controls the power of the light emitting device by utilizing a first drive signal value and a second drive signal value; extrapolates monitor signal values of a line formed between a first received value of the monitor signal corresponding to the first point, and a second received
20 value of the monitor signal corresponding to the second drive signal value; determines the offset value of the drive signal to be a crossing value of the drive signal corresponding to where the extrapolated monitor signal values of the line cross a predetermined value of the monitor signal when the light emitting device is

not emitting any light; and converts the extrapolated monitor signal values of the line corresponding to drive signal values being higher than the offset value to power values according to the predetermined conversion rule to thereby generate the preliminary power relationship.

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13. (original) The auto-calibrating optical device of claim 10, wherein the microprocessor is for further generating a final power relationship by performing a power relationship correction operation on an optical medium of the optical device; the power relationship correction operation comprising the microprocessor writing
10 test data to the optical medium of the optical device using a particular drive signal value for a predetermined power value according to the preliminary power relationship; reading a read signal corresponding to the test data from the optical medium; and analyzing the read signal to determine if the test data was written to the optical medium at the particular power and correspondingly adjusting the
15 preliminary power relationship such that the test data is written to the optical medium at the predetermined power to thereby generate the final power relationship.

14. (original) The auto-calibrating optical device of claim 11, wherein the power
20 relationship correction operation involves the microprocessor performing an optimum power control (OPC) on the optical medium of the optical device.

15. (cancelled)

16. (original) The auto-calibrating optical device of claim 11, further comprising a non-volatile memory for storing the final power relationship determined by the microprocessor during the calibration mode, the final power relationship being used
5 by the microprocessor during normal operations for controlling values of the drive signal according to desired powers of the light emitting device.
17. (original) The auto-calibrating optical device of claim 10, wherein the optical device is an optical disc drive or a optical disc recorder, the photo monitor is a front
10 monitor diode (FMD), and the light emitting device is a laser diode.
18. (original) The auto-calibrating optical device of claim 17 being capable of calibrating the write power or the read power of the laser diode.
- 15 19. (cancelled)
20. (new) The method of claim 4, wherein the power relationship correction operation is performed during an automatic calibration process at manufacture.
- 20 21. (new) The auto-calibrating optical device of claim 13, wherein the power relationship correction operation is performed during an automatic calibration process at manufacture.